



Frequently Asked Questions... ABOUT THE 2018 CVSD BOND MEASURE

We just passed a bond in 2015. Why do we need another?

- **Central Valley is growing.** Phasing school construction over time is the best strategy for keeping your tax rate low.
- **We heard you: voters asked for a third high school without raising taxes.** The 2018 bond will accomplish this.
- The 2015 bond funded 12 new and renovated elementary and middle schools. **Projects are ahead of schedule and under budget.**

Will you raise my taxes? How much will this cost me?

- **The 2018 bond does NOT increase the tax rate. It is a renewal** of the investment in facilities already approved by voters in a previous bond.

What are my school bond taxes paying for now? How have you used your funding?

- **2015 bond dollars have funded 12 construction projects**, including four new schools and eight school and learning center renovations. Most of these projects will be completed by fall of 2017.
- **For every \$1 voters invested, CVSD leveraged another 85 cents from the state.**
- The 2015 bond also funded safety and **security upgrades in 27 school facilities** throughout the district.
The \$121.9 million bond budget was **leveraged to attract state dollars**, allowing us to build a new North Pines Middle School and the new Riverbend Elementary school at Mission and Long—now underway.
- By maximizing bond resources with methodical planning, CVSD will be the **first school district in the region to offer a 17 students to one teacher ratio** in all Kindergarten-3rd grades – and full-day kindergarten – district-wide.

What are the challenges with our overcrowded schools?

- **Overcrowding increases safety risks** for both students and staff. It also harms the quality of the learning environment.
- There are **currently 12 classrooms in portables at Central Valley and four classrooms at University High School**—that's 360 students (or 18% of the student population) at CV and 120 students (7%) at U-High per period that are outside of the building during the school day. It is increasingly difficult to secure portables in school security situations.
- **Currently 1/3 of teachers rotate to different classrooms** at both CV and U-High throughout the day.

Why now? What happens if the 2018 bond doesn't pass?

- If the bond does not pass in 2018, then we would **lose the ability for choice to grandfather** in students and allow for a phased-in transfer to the new high school. If the bond passed at a later date, students would be boundaried without any choice.
- We would also **lose flexibility in the diversity of offerings** across the high school programming. Without adding the capacity of the third high school, these programs are limited.
- Students would **lose access to the additional sports and activities** that would come with a third high school.
- If the bond does not pass and growth continues, there would be more portables added, more teachers would be rotating throughout the school day. Or, it would be necessary to move to a split schedule. There are already 3 lunch periods at CV starting at 10:30am and 2 at U-High.

When does the vote happen?

- **On February 13, 2018 Central Valley voters will be asked to consider approval of a \$129.9 million school construction bond.**

How do I learn more about this bond?

- **cvschoolscvpowered.com**

